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- 1) Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. 1.56, 1.97 and 1.98 applicants enclose a Form PTO-1449 and make of record the documents listed thereon. A copy of the International Search Report issued in the counterpart PCT International Application on July 12, 2004 is enclosed. English Abstracts for references AD and AE are enclosed. Copies of references AD to AF are not (and need not be) enclosed, because they were transmitted to the USPTO by the International Searching Authority in the International processing of this PCT Application.
- 2) This statement is being filed concurrently with the above identified new PCT National Phase Application.

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- 3) References AA to AC are in English. English Abstracts for references AD and AE are enclosed. Reference AF includes an English abstract. Reference AD corresponds to AB; and AE corresponds to AC; from which the relevance can be determined in English. Therefore, no further discussion of the references is required.
- 4) Moreover, the enclosed Search Report indicates the degree of relevance of each of the references AA and AD to AF by category (A = technological background). Also note that the enclosed English translation of the International Preliminary Examination Report indicates that all claims of this application meet the patentability criteria of novelty and non-obviousness relative to the cited prior art. Thereby, a concise explanation of the relevance has been provided (see M.P.E.P. §609).
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